

CLAIM AMENDMENTS:

1. (canceled)

2. (currently amended) A blade pitch control structure for a bulldozer, which comprises, a blade having a backside with a bracket, a blade lifting frame having a front end; a universal joint arranged between the backside of the blade and the front end of the blade lifting frame that turnably support the blade and enable altitude control including angling, tilting and pitch control of the blade; a pitch support link having a front end; and an eccentric pin engaging the bracket on the backside of the blade with the front end of the pitch support link;

wherein the eccentric pin has a first shaft part which turnably engages with the front end of the pitch support link and a second shaft part which is fitted into a hole of the bracket, ~~and~~ an axis of the first shaft part and an axis of the second shaft part are mutually eccentric in the state of being spaced apart from each other by a predetermined distance, and the first shaft part of the eccentric pin provides pitch adjustment of the blade by rotating relative to the bracket on the backside of the blade.

3. (previously presented) The blade pitch control structure for a bulldozer according to claim 2, wherein a line segment which connects a

turning center of the universal joint turnably supporting the blade and a turning center about which the front end of the pitch support link is to be turned with respect to the first shaft part of the eccentric pin is arranged to form an axis approximately perpendicular to the ground with the blade horizontally placed in contact with the ground, and a tilting-control oil hydraulic cylinder is engaged with the blade at one end and a turning center of the other end of the tilting-control oil hydraulic cylinder is arranged at a position on the perpendicular axis.

4. (previously presented) The blade pitch control structure for a bulldozer according to claim 2, wherein the eccentric pin is constructed so that a direction in which the first shaft part is made eccentric to the second shaft part is settable continuously at an arbitrary angle about the second shaft part with the second shaft part fitted in the hole of the bracket.

5. (currently amended) A blade pitch control structure for a bulldozer, which comprises:

- a blade having a backside with a bracket;
- a blade lifting frame having a front end;
- a universal joint arranged between the backside of the blade and the front end of the blade lifting frame, the universal joint and blade lifting frame

turnably supporting the blade and enabling altitude control including angling; tilting and pitch control of the blade;

a pitch support link having a front end; and

an eccentric pin engaging a bracket on the backside of the blade with the front end of the pitch support link, the eccentric pin including first and second parts that are eccentrically arranged relative to each other, and the first part of the eccentric pin providing pitch adjustment of the blade by rotating relative to the bracket on the backside of the blade.

6. (previously presented) The blade pitch control structure for a bulldozer according to claim 5, wherein the eccentric pin is constructed so that a direction in which the first part is made eccentric to the second part is settable continuously at an arbitrary angle about the second part with the second part being fitted in a hole of the bracket of the blade.

7. (new) The blade pitch control structure for a bulldozer according to claim 2, wherein the second shaft part includes a disk rotatably received in the the bracket on the backside of the blade.

8. (new) The blade pitch control structure for a bulldozer according to claim 5, wherein the second shaft part includes a disk rotatably received in the the bracket on the backside of the blade.